

**CITY OF KANKAKEE  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
SUMMARY OF MINUTES  
MONDAY, JULY 15TH, 2019  
7:00 P.M.**

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** I would like to call the meeting to order. We will start with a prayer by Pastor Karen Williams from First Presbyterian Church of Kankakee and go on to the pledge of allegiance by the City Council.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**TIM NEHLS:** We are here regarding River Stone Parkway for a follow up.

**DIANA RANDALL:** I live at 1064 West Station and I am here because next door is a business owned by Ernesto & Marie. I think it would be a terrible mistake not to let them do what they came here to do. They have worked hard and they are good neighbors. They have no intentions to work on cars in front of this place. They set it up to show cars and they have another place as a garage. My mother asked me to come and make a speech to tell you that they are good people; nice people; we like them. Let them have their business there....thank you for listening to me.

**ERNESTO MARTINEZ AGUILAR:** *(father...the son is speaking)*...We live at 7801 South North Road Saint Anne, Illinois. My dad applied for a conditional use permit on West Station Street to open a used car dealership. We believe it is a very good place to open it. Many people don't like the idea of us opening a car dealership at that location. We believe that any other business there is going to cause more traffic than a dealership would. A car dealership won't have people there every day as much as a store would. We would leave parking spaces which is the concern of others. Thank you.

**LYNN AHLDEN:** I am the President of the Symphony Orchestra Association Board and I have been asked to read a statement on their behalf. Dear Mayor Wells-Armstrong, on behalf of the Kankakee Valley Symphony Orchestra Association, we want to thank you again and the City of Kankakee for the enthusiastic support for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration on KCC grounds. The celebration offered our community to enjoy

the music of the Youth Symphony, the Kankakee Municipal Band, friends and neighbors. Even though weather prohibited the performances, it was a good evening with an engaging Laser Show. Your willingness to make the Laser Show a success...was greatly appreciated. It appears that the community is in great favor of returning to fireworks. We are in full support in returning to fireworks next year. We look forward to a continued collaboration. I want to share an excellent editorial quote... "What was important wasn't the fireworks, it was that we were together this evening together in this place looking p to the sky at the same time". I thank you and I have a check to give to follow your lead.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Thank you. I don't know how long you plan to stay here... My Executive Assistant called 10 municipalities throughout the state to find out how much they budget, who pays for it and what day do they offer the fireworks. I contacted Melrose who we were using and they stated with minimal technicians...they have been forced to pay \$20,000.00...if we keep it on the fourth for 2020 the minimum cost at this point will be \$20,000.00. I just want to put that out there. We do not need another contract, we can go year to year. We need to work together as we move forward on this. Moving on to Roll Call...

**CLERK DUMAS:**

**PRESENT:** Tetter, Brown, Curtis, Cobbs, Lewis, Tall, Faford, Swanson, Crawford, O'Brien, Gall  
Malone Marshall, Prude

**ABSENT:** Osenga  
(13) Present (1) Absent

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Thank you. Department Heads.

**CLERK DUMAS:**

**PRESENT:** Kosman, Schuldt, Kubal, McGrath, Schiel, Nelson, Bertrand, Schmitz, Ellexson, Hoffman, Brewer-Watson. Thank you.

## **MINUTES**

*(The Minutes were not included in packet. Minutes were distributed to Council Members on Friday).*

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Moving on to the minutes for Monday, July 1st, 2019  
May I have a motion to approve?

**ALD COBBS:**

So move.

**ALD MALONE MARSHALL:** Second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderman Cobbs and Seconded by Alderwoman Malone Marshall. Any edits or corrections? All in favor?

**COUNCIL:** Aye.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Opposed same sign minutes are approved. Moving on to Petitions.

### **PETITIONS**

**ITEM 7A:** PB2019-4-1-Acceptance of the Planning Board Recommendation of Denial concerning request for a conditional use permit to operate a Used Car Sales Business at 1004 West Station Street by Ernesto Martinez-Aguilar & Maria Toledo.

**MIKE HOFFMAN:** This was a proposal to operate a used Car Lot at 1004 West Station. It was held by the ...in May. It continued in the June meeting to review the site plan, where cars would be parked and the layout. At the June meeting they voted 5 to 0 to deny the request for the conditional use permit. It went forward to the Economic Development for reviewed it and is comfortable with the recommendation and move forward with the denial

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** May I have a motion to approve the recommendation from the Planning Board?

**ALD TETTER:** So move.

**ALD CRAWFORD:** Second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderman Tetter and Seconded by Alderman Crawford. Any discussion?

**ALD CRAWFORD:** This request for a conditional use permit was turned down by the Planning Board 5 to 0 and by the Economic Development Committee 7 to 0. The main reason is not just because they did not have a place to work on the vehicles, but there are only 22 parking spaces and they have 30 cars. One of the big issues is where the cars would be parked there are blind spots where the kids cross going

to Birds Park and the Dairy Queen. We feel that other places would work better.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Thank you. Any other discussion? Roll Call.

**CLERK DUMAS:** **AYES:** Tetter, Brown, Curtis, Cobbs, Lewis, Tall, Faford, Swanson, Crawford, O'Brien, Gall, Malone Marshall, Prude  
(13) Ayes (0) Nays

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motion Carries. Moving on to Communications, I would like to combine all Items 8A through 8F.

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

**ITEM 8A-8F:**

A. Red Knights Firefighters Club and 360 are requesting street closure and noise permit to Host the "12<sup>th</sup> Annual Ride the Rescuers Event", Saturday, July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019 from 12:00 P.M. until 12:00 A. M.

B. Kankakee Events Partnership is requesting street closure of the to Host the "Merchant Street Music Fest" Thursday, July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2019 until Monday, July 29, 2019 at 6:00 A. M.

C. One Direction Forward, Inc. is requesting a noise permit for Martin Luther King Jr., Park to host an "Empowerment of Hope": Saturday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019, with rain date of Sunday, August 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Also, Saturday, August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019 and Sunday, August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019 with rain dates of Saturday August 17<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019 from 3:30 P. M. until 6:30 P. M.

D. Eastside Bulldog Cheerleaders Team is requesting permission for "TAG DAY", Saturday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019, with a rain date of Saturday, August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

E. Rosetta Garner is requesting a Noise Permit at Jag's Bar to host "JAG'S DAY PARTY", Sunday, August 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019 from 2:00 P.M. until 11:00 P. M.

F. Riverside Medical Center is requesting street closure to host the" Riverside 5K", Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019 from 9:00 A.M. until 10:00 P. M.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** If there are no objections, may I have a motion to approve?

**ALD BROWN:** So move.

**ALD PRUDE:** Second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderman Brown and Seconded by Alderman Prude. All in favor?

**COUNCIL:** Aye.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motion carries.

### **STANDING COMMITTEES**

**ITEM 9A:** Community Development – Alderwoman Swanson  
The meeting was held on Monday, June 3rd, 2019. The information is in the packet. There are no highlights.

**ITEM 9B:** Public Safety – Alderman Brown  
The meeting was held on Tuesday, June 4th, 2019.  
Highlights include: We have worked on and discussed the permits on line for the trucks. We also discussed the Ring Security System.

**ITEM 9C:** Ordinance – Alderman Tall  
The meeting was held on Tuesday, June 25th, 2019.  
Highlights include: We are adding ordinances and an agreement between the City of Kankakee and Collections of America to collect unpaid bills to the Fire Department.

**ITEM 9D:** Economic Development – Alderwoman Gall chaired the meeting in the absence of Alderman Tetter.  
The meeting was held on Thursday, June 27th, 2019.  
Highlights include: We had a presentation on a possible development of 58 acres on route 113. The property would need to be annexed into the city. The proposed housing development would be manufactured homes for seniors. We discussed the economic impact which would be tax on the land not individual homes but it would show case the river and retain senior housing in Kankakee. The Committee supported a motion to have this presented to full Council August 19<sup>th</sup>. We also discussed economic related issues that went through the planning board and two will be on the agenda tonight. We also discussed and update on the Riverfront and East Court TIFs. The ribbon cutting for Pizza Hut is July 16<sup>th</sup>.

**ITEM 9E:**

Public Safety-Alderman Brown

The meeting was held on Tuesday, July 2nd, 2019.

Highlights include: On the Fire side the report was submitted by Deputy Chief Bruno. OT is higher due to fire fighters vacation and one having a baby. The fire safety house is really in demand. On the Police side, Chief Kosman reported bills. OT is the same...we discussed Illinois Association Chief of Police...it has already been adopted. Public Safety...task force that deals with the theft of automobiles in this town and other counties. We got also have a boat that will only be used for rescue on the river donated by KVPD.

**ITEM 9F:**

Budget Committee – Alderman Brown chaired the meeting in the absence of Alderman O’Brien.

The meeting was held on Monday, July 8th, 2019.

Highlights include: Kubal disputes the 4<sup>th</sup> draft. The final budget is over \$27,975.00 in the good. Vendors can now have 6 video games instead of 5. ESU...\$10K... Legal fee reduction...and also the removal of the planning department salary. The new payroll system will go into effect in the near future... we call for a motion which passed 6 to 0 to approve budget. Kubal reported that the home rule sales tax... over \$4.3 million will go to the pension. Police is 2 million...the money was paid all at once.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Thank you. Moving on to Item 10A approval of the bills.

**REPORT OF OFFICERS**

**ALD FAFORD:**

I move that we approve the report of officers, place the money in the in the proper accounts and pay the bills in the revised amount of \$319,994.08.

**ALD LEWIS:**

Second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motion made by Alderman Faford and Seconded by Alderwoman Lewis. Any discussion? Roll Call...

**CLERK DUMAS:**

**AYES:** Tetter, Brown, Curtis, Cobbs, Lewis, Faford, Swanson, O’Brien, Gall, Malone Marshall, Prude

**NAYS:** Tall, Crawford

(11) Ayes (2) Nays (1) Abstention

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motion Carries. We have no Unfinished Business.

Moving on to Item 12A New Business.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**ITEM 12A:** Ordinance amending Chapter 34 (Utility Ordinance)  
Division 200 (General Pretreatment Regulations) of the  
Municipal Code of the City of Kankakee  
(1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading).

**ALD COBBS:** Mayor, may I interject...the Clerk stated 1 abstention. I did not hear an abstention.

**CLERK DUMAS:** I'm sorry...1 absent...Osenga. I will clarify...  
(11) Ayes (2) Nays (1) Absent

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Thank you for that. Pete you have the floor.

**PETE SCHIEL:** Mayor this is just the update for municipal billing... industry.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** May I have a motion to suspend the rules that will interfere with the passing of the Ordinance?

**ALD LEWIS:** So move.

**ALD COBBS:** Second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderwoman Lewis and Seconded by Alderman Cobbs. Roll Call...

**CLERK DUMAS:** **AYES:** Tetter, Brown, Curtis, Cobbs, Lewis, Tall, Faford, Swanson, Crawford, O'Brien, Gall, Malone Marshall, Prude  
(13) Ayes (0) Nays

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motion carries. May I have a motion to place the Ordinance on final passage?

**ALD LEWIS:** So move.

**ALD COBBS:** Second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderwoman Lewis and Seconded by Alderman Cobbs. Any discussion?

**ALD FAFORD:** Can Pete explain what this does again?

**PETE SCHIEL:** Basically we made some changes in the ordinance on the residential billing and this basically makes the adjustments on the industrial billing.

**ALD CURTIS:** It makes changes...what changes is it making? That's what I am not understanding.

**PETE SCHIEL:** In this section of the ordinance, section 2 talks about the bulk concentrated BOD charges and basically it is a proportional increase as residential. What we had to do was amend it to make sure that the commercial portion would reflect the same increase...we have done this in the past when we have increased the residential we have had to do this with industrial users also.

**ALD CURTIS:** Does it change anything in the billing or does it change the amounts allowed?

**PETE SCHIEL:** It proportionately increase the rates in the billing...

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:**For industrial users?

**PETE SCHIEL:** Correct...our industrial users.

**ELIZABETH KUBAL:** *(inaudible)*...

**PETE SCHIEL:** The industrial portion of it...

**ALD CURTIS:** So is the rate going up or is it the proportionate share of the...if they use more they will pay more obviously...

**PETE SCHIEL:** *(inaudible)*...

**ELIZABETH KUBAL:** This is just basically enacted in the ordinance. This solidifies it on the industrial side. It's different on the industrial side because they can use different products that you and I don't have at our houses...to this peace of this section because that it is how the original is written.

**ALD CURTIS:** So it is allowing these things that are written...non-prescription drugs and things of that nature...

**ELIZABETH KUBAL:** Yes....

**ALD CURTIS:** I apologize, I am not following...



**ELIZABETH KUBAL:** It's a language amendment...

**ALD O'BRIEN:** We are not loosening the regulations in anyway...Section 2 here says: bulk expire or heavily concentrated, prescription or non-prescription drugs, 25 hazardous waste...substances to the POTW...I just want to make sure somehow that we are not loosening the...discharge. Is that correct?

**PETE SCHIEL:** These are IEPA compliant so basically, based on higher materials that they are sending us they will not necessarily be penalized but they will be charged more for those types of discharges within the IEPA compliance.

**ALD O'BRIEN:** Section 4...effective date...(inaudible). Shouldn't that be 2019?

**ELIZABETH KUBAL:** Yes. It does appear there is a typo...it should say 2019.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Thank you.

**ALD LEWIS:** I would like to amend the motion to reflect the correct date of 2019.

**ALD COBBS:** I second the amended motion

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** The motion was amended by Alderwoman Lewis and seconded by Alderman Cobbs. Roll Call.

**CLERK DUMAS:** **AYES:** Tetter, Brown, Curtis, Cobbs, Lewis, Tall, Faford, Swanson, Crawford, O'Brien, Gall, Malone Marshall, Prude  
(13) Ayes (0) Nays

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motion carries. Moving on to Item 12B.

**ITEM 12B:** Ordinance amending Chapter 32, Section 231 entitled "Handicapped Parking" of the Municipal Code of the City of Kankakee Handicapped Parking signs established at 785 South Evergreen Avenue (*1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading*).

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motion to suspend the rules that will interfere with the passing of the ordinance.

**ALD COBBS:** So move.

**ALD MALONE MARSHALL:** Second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderman Cobbs and Seconded by Alderwoman Malone Marshall. Any discussion? Roll Call...

**CLERK DUMAS:** **AYES:** Tetter, Brown, Curtis, Cobbs, Lewis, Tall, Faford, Swanson, Crawford, O'Brien, Gall, Malone Marshall, Prude  
(13) Ayes (0) Nays

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motion carries. May I have a motion to place the Ordinance on final passage?

**ALD COBBS:** So move.

**ALD MALONE MARSHALL:** Second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderman Cobbs and Seconded by Alderwoman Malone Marshall. Any discussion? Roll Call...

**CLERK DUMAS:** **AYES:** Tetter, Brown, Curtis, Cobbs, Lewis, Tall, Faford, Swanson, Crawford, O'Brien, Gall, Malone Marshall, Prude  
(13) Ayes (0) Nays

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motion carries. Now moving on to Items 12C and 12D.

**ITEM 12C and 12D:** Ordinance Governing the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners and Ordinance Amending the Zoning Map of the City of Kankakee, Illinois.  
(1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading).

**MIKE MCGRATH:** These items are basically accomplishing the same...I am asking Council to consider Item 12D and remove Item 12C.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** The board contacted me asking if we can get more commissioners...when they are on vacation it gets hectic with schedules. We did discuss with this with committees and this increase is in the budget for 2020. Motion to suspend the rules that will interfere with the passing of the ordinance...

**ALD BROWN:** So move.

**ALD LEWIS:** Second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderman Brown and Seconded by Alderwoman Lewis. Any discussion? Roll Call...

**CLERK DUMAS:** **AYES:** Tetter, Brown, Curtis, Cobbs, Lewis, Tall, Faford, Swanson, Crawford, O'Brien, Gall, Malone Marshall, Prude  
(13) Ayes (0) Nays

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motion carries. May I have a motion to place the Ordinance on final passage?

**ALD BROWN:** So move.

**ALD LEWIS:** Second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderman Brown and Seconded by Alderwoman Lewis. Any discussion? Roll Call...

**CLERK DUMAS:** **AYES:** Tetter, Brown, Curtis, Cobbs, Lewis, Tall, Faford, Swanson, Crawford, O'Brien, Gall, Malone Marshall, Prude  
(13) Ayes (0) Nays

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motion carries. Moving on to Item 12E.

**ITEM 12E:** Ordinance Amending the Zoning Map of the City of Kankakee, Illinois.

**MIKE HOFFMAN:** This is a request to rezone the property at...Fifth Avenue from C-2 to...I-1. This case was heard at Public Hearing for the Planning Board on June 18<sup>th</sup>. The applicant is proposing a machine shop on the property which requires the I-1 zoning. The planning board voted 4 to 1 favor that it met the requirements for rezoning amendments and is recommending approval.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** May I have a motion to suspend the rules that will interfere with the passing of the Ordinance?

**ALD LEWIS:** So move.

**ALD PRUDE:** Second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderwoman Lewis and Seconded by Alderman Prude. Any discussion? Roll Call...

**CLERK DUMAS:** **AYES:** Tetter, Brown, Curtis, Cobbs, Lewis, Tall, Faford, Swanson, Crawford, O'Brien, Gall, Malone Marshall, Prude  
(13) Ayes (0) Nays

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motion carries. May I have a motion to place the Ordinance on final passage?

**ALD LEWIS:** So move.

**ALD PRUDE:** Second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderwoman Lewis and Seconded by Alderman Prude. Any discussion? Roll Call...

**CLERK DUMAS:** **AYES:** Tetter, Brown, Curtis, Cobbs, Lewis, Tall, Faford, Swanson, Crawford, O'Brien, Gall, Malone Marshall, Prude  
(13) Ayes (0) Nays

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motion carries. Moving on to Item 12F.

**ITEM 12F:** Ordinance Adopting the Annual Budget for the Fiscal Year beginning May 1, 2019 and ending April 2020  
(1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading).

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** May I have a motion to suspend the rules that will interfere with the passage of the Ordinance?

**ALD BROWN:** So move.

**ALD O'BRIEN:** Second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderman Brown and Seconded by Alderman O'Brien. Roll Call...

**CLERK DUMAS:** **AYES:** Tetter, Brown, Curtis, Cobbs, Lewis, Faford, Swanson, O'Brien, Gall, Malone Marshall, Prude  
**NAYS:** Tall, Crawford (*can't justify without audit*)  
Did someone say something?

**ALD BROWN:** Is this to suspend the rules?

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Yes.

**CLERK DUMAS:** (11) Ayes (2) Nays (1) Absent

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motion carries. Elizabeth, I will turn it over to you to give an update.

**ELIZABETH KUBAL:** In front of you is the packet that I passed out. I would like to draw your attention to page 2 first. Where it says surplus...which is the amount we approved at the budget meeting on July the 8<sup>th</sup>. Within this document are the details on how we get there. It flows to the summary sheet...we were able to utilize some revenues we discussed. I am proud of it and we worked hard. 2017 Audit is on the website.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** May I have a motion to place the Ordinance on final passage?

**ALD BROWN:** Motion to place on final passage and pass it.

**ALD O'BRIEN:** Second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderman Brown and Seconded by Alderman O'Brien. Any discussion? Roll Call...

**CLERK DUMAS:** **AYES:** Tetter, Brown, Curtis, Cobbs, Lewis, Faford, Swanson, O'Brien, Gall, Malone Marshall, Prude  
**NAYS:** Tall, Crawford  
(11) Ayes (2) Nays

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motion carries. Thank you Elizabeth and Department Heads for a balanced budget. Thank you City Council Members...it will go on line. I will check with the Clerk and Pete's Office. Moving on to Item 12G.

**ITEM 12G:** Ordinance providing for the issuance of one or more series of not to exceed \$17, 850,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds of the City of Kankakee., Kankakee County, Illinois to Refund Certain Outstanding Bonds of said City, Providing for the Levy of a Direct Annual Tax Sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on said bonds, authorizing and directing the Execution of an Escrow Agreement in Connections with the Issue of said Bonds, and Authorizing the Sale of said Bonds to the Purchaser Thereof.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Bob Vail of Benardi Securities is here to talk to us strictly about refunding. He has a handout and will provide a presentation.

**BOB VAIL:** I have been a bond underwriter for the City of Kankakee since 2006. We have extensive experience with the City's finances and the City's outstanding bond to debt. There are four refinancing opportunities that I presented to the Budget Committee in June. On page 3, there is a graph showing interest rates. We are an extremely low interest rate environment. This is a 10-year snapshot of the Bond Buyer Index. The General Obligation Bond Series 2008 locking in rates...dropping net interest cost to 2.59 percent with a present value savings of 2.61 percent. General Obligation Bonds Series 2009A locking in rates today...dropping net interest cost to 2.72 percent with a present value savings of 7.40 percent. General Obligation Bonds Series 2011A locking in rates today...dropping net interest cost to 2.92 percent at present value savings of 2.84 percent. On page 7 combining all the General Obligation Bonds we are looking at about an estimated savings of \$874,666 by refinancing. The last series I not a General Obligation Bond. It is a Sewer Revenue Bond this is to refinance the 2009B Bonds. Currently that rate is at 5.62 percent and today we can lock that in at 2.97 percent with a present value savings of 5.24 percent, savings approximately \$100,000.00.

**ALD O'BRIEN:** The savings noted are net of fees, right?

**BOB VAIL:** Yes, all are net of fees...

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Thank you Alderman O'Brien. Thank you Bob. Please stay until we vote in case we have any questions. May I have a motion that will suspend the rules that interfere with the passing of the ordinance?

**ALD TETTER:** I will make the motion.

**ALD MALONE MARSHALL:** Second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderman Tetter and Seconded by Alderwoman Malone Marshall. Okay, Roll Call...

**CLERK DUMAS:** **AYES:** Tetter, Brown, Curtis, Cobbs, Lewis, Tall, Faford, Swanson, Crawford, O'Brien, Gall, Malone Marshall, Prude  
(13) Ayes (0) Nays

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** May I have a motion to place the Ordinance on final passage?

**ALD TETTER:** I make the motion.

**ALD MALONE MARSHALL:** Second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderman Tetter and Seconded by Alderwoman Malone Marshall. Any Discussion? Roll Call...

**CLERK DUMAS:** **AYES:** Tetter, Brown, Curtis, Cobbs, Lewis, Tall, Faford, Swanson, Crawford, O'Brien, Gall, Malone Marshall, Prude  
(13) Ayes (0) Nays

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motion carries. Moving on to Item 12H.

**ITEM 12H:** Ordinance Authorizing and providing for the issuance of not to exceed \$2,000.000 Taxable Sewer Revenue Refunding Bonds Series 2019C of the City of Kankakee, Kankakee County, Illinois, for the Purpose of Refunding Certain Outstanding Bonds of Said City Authorizing the Execution of an Escrow Agreement Providing for the Collections, Segregation and Distribution of the Revenue of the Existing Waterworks an Sewerage System of Said City and Authorizing the Sale of Said Bonds to the Purchaser Thereof.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** May I have a motion to suspend the rules that interfere with the passing of the ordinance?

**ALD LEWIS:** So move.

**ALD MALONE MARSHALL:** Second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderwoman Lewis and Seconded by Alderwoman Malone Marshall. Any discussion? Roll Call...

**CLERK DUMAS:** **AYES:** Tetter, Brown, Curtis, Cobbs, Lewis, Tall, Faford, Swanson, Crawford, O'Brien, Gall, Malone Marshall, Prude  
(13) Ayes (0) Nays

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** May I have a motion to place the Ordinance on final passage?

**ALD LEWIS:** So move.

**ALD MALONE MARSHALL:** Second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderwoman Lewis and Seconded by Alderwoman Malone Marshall. Any discussion? Roll Call...

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motion carries. Bob, Thank you. Moving on to Item I Appointments.

## **APPOINTMENTS**

**ITEM I** City of Kankakee Representative to the South Suburban Land Bank – Barbi Brewer-Watson

**MIKE HOFFMAN:** Actually, the City of Kankakee joined the south Suburban Land Bank a while ago but never appointed a member to that Board....the next item on the agenda...these two items can work together...and work towards commercial property that we can't do with the grant right now....this will allow us to move forward and we are recommending that we proceed.... To do that we need to appoint a member to the South Suburban Land Bank...it will be locally controlled and I think Barbi is an excellent choice for this.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Barbi will be required to attend the quarterly meetings ...keeping CDA and Department Heads updated. May I have a motion to approve the appointment?

**ALD SWANSON:** I would like to make that motion.

**ALD CRAWFORD:** Second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderwoman Swanson and Seconded by Alderman Crawford. Any discussion?

**ALD CURTIS:** I don't oppose, I just don't remember us joining. Is it an



Intergovernmental agreement we actually voted on?

**MAYOR WELLS- ARMSTRONG:** We have been a member for years. Glenn Davidson I think was over CDA when we came to Council in 2015 when the Task Force Committee was formed. We are a member...

**ALD CURTIS:** I just don't remember....

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** We have a motion and a second. Any further discussion. Roll Call.

**CLERK DUMAS:** **AYES:** Tetter, Brown, Curtis, Cobbs, Lewis, Tall, Faford, Swanson, Crawford, O'Brien, Gall, Malone Marshall, Prude  
(13) Ayes (0) Nays

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motion carries. Moving on to Item 13A.

### **MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS**

**ITEM 13A:** Resolution Adopting a Land Bank Feasibility Study for the City of Kankakee.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** As you all know, we did receive a \$150,000.00 grant to create our own Land Bank...this takes time. Mike Hoffman can give us an update on that.

**MIKE HOFFMAN:** The City did receive a \$150,000.00 grant that requires us to do a Land Bank feasibility study. It essentially looks at the properties in the community to establish Land Bank and what it accomplishes for you, what would be the cost involved and how it will operate and function. We did that study, presented it the...committee on July 1<sup>st</sup> and we had the two principle authors of the study... of a Law firm present. This can work fully in conjunction with South Suburban Land Bank as we discussed...IDOT...we need to focus on residential property...funding goes to 2020. So we have a year to do that to fully...we need another local partner...with the County being that partner...another municipality in the area but that is still the works. The Feasibility Study outlines how that could be done...how we could potentially have a local staff person to do this work and go about putting some of these vacant properties in the Land Bank and getting them back on tax roll as soon as

possible. One of the requirements of the grant is for the City to pass a resolution.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** May I have a motion to adopt the Resolution?

**ALD MALONE MARSHALL:** So move Mayor.

**ALD SWANSON:** Second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderwoman Malone Marshall and Seconded by Alderwoman Swanson. Any discussion? Roll Call.

**CLERK DUMAS:** **AYES:** Tetter, Brown, Curtis, Cobbs, Lewis, Tall, Faford, Swanson, Crawford, O'Brien, Gall, Malone Marshall, Prude  
(13) Ayes (0) Nays

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motion carries. Moving on to Item 13B

**ITEM 13B:** Resolution Authorizing the City of Kankakee to proceed with the improvement plans for the Riverstone Parkway Road Improvement Project, PEI JOB NO. 18076.0301

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Neil is not here tonight, basically this is a formality required of us by IDOT demonstrating our commitment to the project. May I have a motion to approve the Resolution?

**ALD SWANSON:** So move.

**ALD FAFORD:** Second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderwoman Swanson and Seconded by Alderman Faford. Any discussion? Roll Call

**CLERK DUMAS:** **AYES:** Tetter, Brown, Curtis, Cobbs, Lewis, Tall, Faford, Swanson, Crawford, O'Brien, Gall, Malone Marshall, Prude  
(13) Ayes (0) Nays

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION** *(began at 8:04 P. M.)*

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motion carries. We do have a need for Executive Session

for the purpose of Personnel: The Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance or Dismissal of Specific Employees of the Public Body or Legal Counsel for the Public Body. We will be discussing Approval of settlement regarding Fonder VS. Martinez and also an employment agreement between the City of Kankakee and the Police Lieutenants of the City of Kankakee Police Department. May I have a motion to go into Executive Session?

**ALD TETTER:** So move

**ALD COBBS:** Second

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderman Tetter and Seconded by Alderman Cobbs (*we will take a small break*)....We are now in Executive Session. Moving on to Roll Call...

**CLERK DUMAS:** **PRESENT:** Tetter, Brown, Curtis, Cobbs, Lewis, Tall, Faford, Swanson, Crawford, O'Brien, Gall, Malone Marshall, Prude  
**ABSENT:** Osenga  
(13) Present (1) Absent

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Thank you.

### **RETURN TO OPEN SESSION** (*Began at 8:37 P. M.*)

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motion to leave Executive Session and Return to Open Session...

**ALD COBBS:** So move.

**ALD PRUDE:** Second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderman Cobbs and Seconded by Alderman Prude. We are now back in Open Session. Roll Call please.

**CLERK DUMAS:** **PRESENT:** Tetter, Brown, Curtis, Cobbs, Lewis, Tall, Faford, Swanson, Crawford, O'Brien, Gall, Malone Marshall, Prude  
**ABSENT:** Osenga  
(13) Present (1) Absent

## **ACTION RESULTING FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Thank you. There is action needed resulting from Executive Session Regarding (*Item 15A*) the Approval of Settlement Regarding Fonder VS. Martinez. May I have a motion to approve?

**ALD COBBS:** So move.

**ALD MALONE MARSHALL:** Second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderman Cobbs and Seconded by Alderwoman Malone Marshall. Any discussion? Roll Call...

**CLERK DUMAS:** **AYES:** Tetter, Brown, Curtis, Cobbs, Lewis, Tall, Faford, Swanson, Crawford, O'Brien, Gall, Malone Marshall, Prude  
(13) Ayes (0) Nays

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motion Carries. (*Item 15B*) We have an Agreement between the City of Kankakee and the Police Lieutenants of the City of Kankakee Police Department. May I have a motion?

**ALD SWANSON:** So move.

**ALD MALONE MARSHALL:** Second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderwoman Swanson and Seconded by Alderwoman Malone Marshall. Any discussion? Roll Call...

**CLERK DUMAS:** **AYES:** Tetter, Brown, Curtis, Cobbs, Lewis, Tall, Faford, Swanson, Crawford, O'Brien, Gall, Malone Marshall, Prude  
(13) Ayes (0) Nays

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motion Carries. Okay, we have approval for a settlement regarding Fonder VS. Martinez...it is not official until everyone signs it and we have an approved agreement between the Lieutenants of the City of Kankakee Police Department. Thank you. Moving on to Item 16.

## **ALDERMEN & ALDERWOMEN COMMENTS**

- ALD LEWIS:** I want to make a correction on the Economic Development Committee Minutes for June 27<sup>th</sup>. It states that I second the motion to have the developers present and that was Alderman Cobbs.
- MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Alderwoman Gall will take note of that.
- ALD BROWN:** We had a discussion in Public Safety and I want to make sure that...as you know the new cellphone law went into effect July 1<sup>st</sup> this year. According to the States Attorney's Office, if you get caught holding a phone in your hand you can be charged with a moving violation. If you get charged ...times in a year your license can be suspended.
- ALD COBBS:** I just want to thank you regarding Duane Blvd...dear to my heart and thank you to my seatmate Chris Curtis...Neil Piggush took the time out to come and speak to my neighbors about Duane Blvd as well as CSL Behring as it relates to putting the waterline right on the street where the meeting was. I wish he was here, I would thank him. I would be remiss if I did not say one more thing, a neighbor did mention a concern with the heavy trucks. I am looking at the recycling schedule running through residential areas and the amount of damage that it does to our streets. I hope that in the future we can work together and resolve that issue when the opportunity presents itself.
- ALD O'BRIEN:** I am wondering if we can get an update on the Chrislin Subdivision.
- MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTONG:** I think at the last meeting we ...funding from TIF 8 to do a survey and they have to have time to do it.
- ALD O'BRIEN:** Can the residents get a copy of the letter the Lawyer sent to the owner?
- MIKE MCGRATH:** They received a copy of the letter because one of the residents wrote back to me when she moved back into the neighborhood. I checked on the registered letter going to the agent and they certainly got it, we got he certified mail proof back yesterday and I will try to reach out to them tomorrow...Pete what needs to e done then is the property owners need to mow it and clean it so when the engineer goes out they can actually do the survey.

**ALD O'BRIEN:** In the Ordinance Committee meeting minutes there was some request for follow up on the High Rise Security Ordinance. We have been talking about it for a while. Do we have any progress in drafting that?

**MIKE MCGRATH:** I saw that and actually pulled it to the side to see if someone at my office is working on it.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Department Heads updates. Pete do you have anything with the Chrislin Subdivision.

**PETE SCHIEL:** Basically, as Mike McGrath stated...also keep in mind we discussed it at the Utility Board meeting and the property of Roosevelt. Everything on the Utility side...prices and environmental is ready to go. Barbi's team is going to assist us or attempt to see if there is funding to assist us in helping tear that down.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** We have signed off on the documentation for...

**KRIS SCHMITZ:** Filing fees for adjudication Court. We are now requiring payment for that upfront before we even set a date so we can make sure we get our payment. They are not paying after court.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** The Budget will be posted on line, I will work with Pete's team to get that done...again with a surplus. We have a lot of projects going on as you all know. MFT will go on line we passed that at the last meeting so you will start to see some work in the wards. I do have an update regarding our Attorney General as it relates to our ADA plan I will get information on out on that. They are very pleased with the plan we put in place. Neil surveyed all of our issues that were out of compliance. Tractor Supply out at 308 is moving along...(Alderman Curtis inaudible). River Stone Parkway, Chrislin subdivision was discussed. Hobbie Engineering and Safe to School...we have a lot of projects and work going on in the City. We had a legislative meeting...we will be meeting with Burt Odelson and our Lobbyist. I am going to host a meeting August...to address Legislation. A lot of the money from our Capital bill will be funneled through our State Agencies. Cannabis Legislation, measures have to be put in place. Mike Hoffman is working on zoning...we have a lot of work to do with that. It goes in affect January 2020. Alderwoman

Gall mentioned the ribbon cutting of Pizza Hut July 16<sup>th</sup> and another one in the 1<sup>st</sup> Ward Thursday, July 18<sup>th</sup> ...Elephant Gallery in the Majestic owned by Elisabeth Dunbar. I will keep you all updated on fireworks and how we will work with the symphony. Grants-we have made South Roosevelt a priority. FEMA- our attorneys are working on documentation so we can get reimbursed regarding River Street.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** May I have a motion to adjourn?

**ALD COBBS:** So move.

**ALD LEWIS:** Second.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Motioned by Alderman Cobbs. Seconded by Alderwoman Lewis All in favor aye?

**COUNCIL:** Aye.

**MAYOR WELLS-ARMSTRONG:** Opposed same sign. We are adjourned.